Water Works—Nemmara.

29. Mr. K. G. Nayar.—Will the Government be pleased to state—

1. whether the amount allotted for improving the Water Works at Nemmara in the budget for 1109 is to be utilised for the same purpose;

2. how much of the amount allotted to Nemmara under the P. W. D. Head for 1109 is diverted for other purposes and why?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.—1. Yes. With the exception of 2 items, viz., (1) deepening another borehole and (2) improving the Vallanghy Tank.

2. Rs. 4,000. The first item provided for is not urgent and for the other there is provision in the Sanitary Budget.

Mr. K. G. Nayar.—Was not the urgency for deepening another borehole in Nemmara felt in the year 1108 during the summer season?

Rama Varmha Tampuran—Yes.

Mr. K. G. Nayar.—And was it not on that account that the Government allotted a certain amount to deep that borehole?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—Yes.

Mr. K. G. Nayar.—How is it that the Government now think that there is no urgency for it?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—It happened like this. About 95 thousand rupees had to be found to grant a remission which was decided upon only a couple of months back. And therefore a few works had to be deleted to make up that amount. This happened to be one of the items deleted.

Mr. K. G. Nayar.—Will the other item, the improvement of the tank, be undertaken this year from the Sanitary Department?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—I am sorry there is a slight mistake in this answer. The answer is with reference to a particular tank. I am told that there is another tank somewhere near that and this refers to that. For the tank you have in mind there is no provision.

Mr. K. G. Nayar.—I do not understand the Hon'ble Member. The question was with regard to the allotment for Nemmara under the P. W. D. head and the improvement of a tank which is one of the items under the head and in answer No. (1) this tank is referred to. Of course there are two tanks. Whether this tank or the other one, does the Sanitary Department undertake to do some work this year?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—The Sanitary department will look to the improvement of the tank this year. We

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thought you might be referring to the other tank. If you are referring to that there is no provision.

Jaggery making.

30. **Mr. K. T. Mathew.**—Will the Government be pleased to state with reference to the Proceedings of the Diwan of Cochin dated 15th November 1933, Order D. Dis. 517 of 1109—

(a) what steps have been taken by the Government to encourage jaggery making ;

(b) whether the Government have done anything to remedy want of capital in the hands of those at present in jaggery making industry ;

(c) whether the Government have done anything to remedy the defective methods now employed in the manufacture of this industry ;

(d) whether the Superintendent of Economic Survey has been asked to submit the report referred to in the Proceedings within a prescribed time ; and if not,

(e) what is the reason for not doing so ;

(f) if the answer to (d) is in the affirmative, what is the prescribed time for submitting his report with reference to this particular matter ?

Mr. M. P. Cherian.—(a) Free licenses are issued to all *bona fide* applicants. The Superintendent, Economic Survey, has been requested to investigate in detail into the conditions relating to this industry as well as the improvements it calls for.

(b) and (c) Further steps to be taken by the Government will be considered after the report called for from the Superintendent of Economic Survey is received.

Private gentlemen have however been approached to carry on this industry on a large scale and on a more scientific method, and they have promised to look into the question.

(d), (e) and (f) No. Because there was no necessity to do it.

Mr. K. T. Mathew.—May I know whether this Council has not passed a motion to encourage jaggery making as a cottage industry ?

Mr. M. P. Cherian.—A motion was passed.

Mr. K. T. Mathew.—Do not the Government think that in view of that motion there was some necessity for asking the Superintendent of Economic Survey to expedite the report particularly with reference to this matter ?

Mr. M. P. Cherian.—He is expected to submit his report within a reasonable time.

Mr. K. T. Mathew.—In view of the motion passed, do not the Government think that there is a special necessity to

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